DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

Constitutes a Handloom Advisory Board for the State.

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Letter No. Tex-C. 1-51—53-54, dated 25-27th June 1953, from the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, Bangalore, submitting proposals in regard to the constitution of a Handloom Advisory Board for the State, as suggested by the Government of India in connection with the allocation of grants to the State for the development of the Handloom Industry from out of the Cess collected on Mill cloth.

ORDER No. C. & D. 3971-86—COM. 102-53-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 11TH FEBRUARY 1954.

For some time past, the Handloom Industry has been faced with an unprecedented crisis arising from the slump in handloom cloth trade. Large stocks of handloom cloth accumulated at various centres, and the off-take by the consumer was very poor; consequently several handlooms were forced to curtail or close down production, resulting in a number of weavers being thrown out of employment. The situation was so acute that the Government of India decided to take certain steps for the rehabilitation of the Handloom Industry. They accordingly constituted, among other measures, an All India Handloom Board with comprehensive functions and suggested that the State Governments might constitute similar Boards in their States.

The Government of Mysore, after careful consideration, have decided to abolish the Mysore State Standing Handloom Committee constituted in Government Order No. C. 1177-81—I. & C. 37-49-2, dated 16th August 1949, and to constitute a Handloom Advisory Board for the Mysore State with the following personnel:—

Chairman:

1. The Additional Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore.

Members:

2. The Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore;
3. The Commissioner for Rural Development in Mysore;
4. Sri H. K. Ranga Setty, Advocate, Hosaholalu;
5. Sri Shama Iyengar, Melkote, Mandya District;
6. Sri G. S. Ramakrishniah, Secretary, Adikarnataka Handloom Weavers' Co-operative Society, Ltd., Mysore;
7. Sm. Bellary Siddamma, M.L.A., Davangere City;
8. Sri S. R. Nagappa Setty, M.L.A., Shimoga;
9. Sri Chikkavenkatappa of the Mysore Silk Handloom Weavers' Association, Bangalore;
10. Sri K. J. S. Huchappa, Bellary;
11. Sri B. K. Murthy, Managing Director, Kapila Textiles, Nanjangud.

Secretary:

The Assistant Director (Textiles), Department of Industries and Commerce, Bangalore.

The Board is constituted for a period of two years.

For purposes of Travelling allowance, the Board is brought under Class 'B' in Government Order No. Fl. (B) 14971—C.R. 1-52-27, dated 31st March 1953.

Besides advising Government on the problems of the Handloom Industry generally, the Board will consider and make suitable recommendations for implementing the schemes undertaken for the improvement and development of the Handloom Industry in the State.

R. J. REGO,
Secretary to Government,
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